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Naples, January 27, N. S.

SIR George Byng has received an Account from the Eldeſt Captain of three Men of War, which he ſent with ſome Tartans laden with Proviſions for Melazzo, that on the 17th Inſtant they arrived off that Place, and immediately (though with much Difficulty and Hazzard) put Relief into the Town. Captain Walton, who had been blown from his Station in bad Weather, with his four Ships joined the others off Melazzo. On the 21ſt and 22d, the Squadron having covered the Station between Melazzo and Tropea, all the Sattees and Tranſports with Proviſions for the Garriſon paſſed over; ſo that they are now plentifully provided, and the Generals are in no manner of Apprehenſion for the Place. Deſerters which had come over, reported, that the Enemy were much diſappointed and mortified by the Arrival of theſe Succours. Upon the Sight of the Britiſh Squadron, Cammock with his Five Men of War, immediately went through the Faro, the Wind very luckily for him juſt ſerving him at that Time to get through. Melazzo being now ſafe, the Viceroy of this Kingdom Count Daun, is turning his Thoughts to the Preparations for the intire Reduction of Sicily early in the Spring: And in order to give the neceſſary Aſſiſtance in that Service, Sir George Byng is going to Port Mahon to refit the Ships that have been cruizing all the Winter off Sicily, leaving a Squadron of ſix or ſeven Ships off Reggio, to attend the Motions of the Spaniſh Squadron that is in Meſſina: Beſides which ſome Cruizers will be employed between Sicily and Sardinia.

Berne, Feb. 8. The Committee appointed by the Sovereign Council here to examine the Grievances of the Deputies of Neufchatel, and the Right they pretend to a free Commerce in this Canton, are to make their Report this Morning to the ſaid Council, which probably will come to a final Reſolution upon that Head; but it is not believed that it will be ſatisfactory to thoſe of Neufchatel. Two Imperial Regiments have paſſed lately through the Country of the Griſons into the Dutchy of Milan, and it is given out, that more Troops are expected to paſs that Way in April next. Baron Greuth arrived lately at Coire on the Part of his Imperial Majeſty, and 'tis ſaid he will make ſome Propoſitions to the three Leagues at the firſt Congreſs. It is adviſed from Rome the 21ſt paſt, that three Imperial Regiments were on the March through the Pope's Territories into the Kingdom of Naples.

Copenhagen, Feb. 3. On the 31ſt paſt we received ſeveral Poſts from Norway. The freſheſt Advices are of the 7th of laſt Month, they tell us not only that all is now quiet in the Country about the Swynſund, but that the Body of Swediſh Troops which had penetrated into the Province of Dronthein, under the Command of General Ahrenfeld, has retired by the Way of Jempterland into Sweden. They aſſure us, that Body of Troops, when it entered that Province, conſiſted of 9 or 10000 Men, but not above 4000 retreated out of it, the reſt dying of Want, Fatigue, or Cold. One of the Letters from Drontheim ſays, that upon one Mountain only were found 160 dead Bodies covered with Snow. There had been no Action on that Side; the Swedes had been at the Copper Mines, but did not do any Damage to the Works, only carried away Copper to the Value of about 1000 Crowns, and while they were in that Country generally obſerved pretty good Diſcipline.

Hague, Feb. 14. On the 12th arrived a Meſſenger from England with His Britannick Majeſty's two Inſtruments of Ratification of the late Convention for the Barrier, to be exchanged againſt thoſe of the Emperour and the States General. The Emperour having no Miniſter here, the Marqueſs de Prié deſires this Exchange may be made at Bruſſels, to which the States have conſented in hopes of His Britannick Majeſty's Approbation; but it will be ſome Days before this Work can be quite finiſhed; for the Marqueſs de Prié having only received one Inſtrument of Ratification from the Emperour, has been obliged to write back to Vienna for another. The States intend to ſend an Ambaſſadour to Sweden, when they ſhall have received the Notification in form of the Queen's Acceſſion to the Crown. It is adviſed from Vienna, that the Emperour has named M. Leimbach to come hither with the Character of Envoy Extraordinary, in the room of the late Baron Heems.

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